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<b>RESPONSE</b>  Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.	10030416-1
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	First Named Inventor	LEPROUST, ERIC M.
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated December 31, 2007 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due by March 31, 2008.